



LEATHER CRAFTSMAN David Divinghorse and apprentices Debbie Watson and Jon O'Halloran take a break from their shop work in downtown Portland. Divinghorse will participate in the demonstrations during the Vernonia Art Festival and Friendship Jamboree, July 28-29.

Camp Eight Scholars Plan 'Get-Together'

Plans are being made for a get-together of all persons who attended the Camp 8 Caboose and Cookhouse schools. It will be held during the "Old Timers' Picnic," August 19.

Those who would like to attend or would like more information may contact Donita (Brisson) Robertson, 524 West 11th Street, Medford, Oregon; June (Atkins) Ray, Bud Atkins or Dorothy Sandon, all of Vernonia.

100-Plus at AARP Picnic

One hundred and six members of the American Association of Retired Persons participated in a picnic at Scappoose Airport Park on Tuesday, July 17. It was the seventh annual picnic for Columbia County Chapter 499. Special guests were members of Tualatin Chapter 510 of Hillsboro who arrived by chartered bus.

Park tables had been arranged to provide a long table for the many potluck dishes and an even longer one for the picnickers. Other tables were brought up to take care of the overflow.

Following the luncheon the tables were taken over for cards and Aggravation. Horseshoes and croquet were preferred by the more active.

President Marge Malone of Chapter 499 was in general charge of the affair with Marion Andress and Al Borjesson arranging the tables and taking care of major details including the public address system. Others who assisted included Margaret Brady, Fern Fisher and Blanche Borjesson.

In place of the usual Friendship Meeting on Thursday, August 2, the annual watermelon feed will be held at Bayport Marina park. All chapter members are welcome.

Organist to Provide Music for Jamboree

Ron Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Russell and a graduate of Vernonia High, will be in Vernonia for the Jamboree providing music at the Rife's Conn Organs booth on Bridge Street. The booth will be located next to Brunsmann Hardware.

In addition to playing for the entertainment of Jamboree guests, Russell will place an organ at the Bible Church for their Sunday morning services. Born and raised in Vernonia, Russell continued his schooling at Northwest Nazarene College at Nampa, Idaho, from which he graduated.

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Speaking To the Consumer

Consumer Credit Big Business. U.S. families continue to use credit to obtain billions of dollars' worth of cars and other consumer goods, and loans for various purposes. It is an acceptable and easy way to buy goods and services they need.

These same families can save money if they choose the least costly source of credit. The truth-in-lending law was passed to make it easier for them to learn what it really costs to borrow money or make purchases on credit. The law requires the lender to provide the annual percentage rate for interest.

So to get the most for your family's credit dollar, use this information. Compare costs from different lenders.

Consider House Brands. Discouraged by escalating food costs? Try "House Brands," foods sold under the supermarket's own private brand name. Retailers say food bill savings of 15 to 20 percent can be made by buying house brands rather than nationally advertised brands. Savings come through lower advertising, research and distribution costs.

Try several brands and compare quality. Then decide how much you want to spend for foods sold under different labels.

The Right to Cancel. An Oregon Consumer Protection act passed in 1971 provides buyers a three-day period to cancel sales made by door-to-door salesmen if the purchase price was \$50 or more. Now the Federal Trade Commission has issued a similar regulation permitting buyers a three-day "cooling off" period, without penalty or fee, for a similar purchase for only \$25 or more. The buyer must cancel the purchase by written notification (in person or by mail) to the salesman's office within three business days.

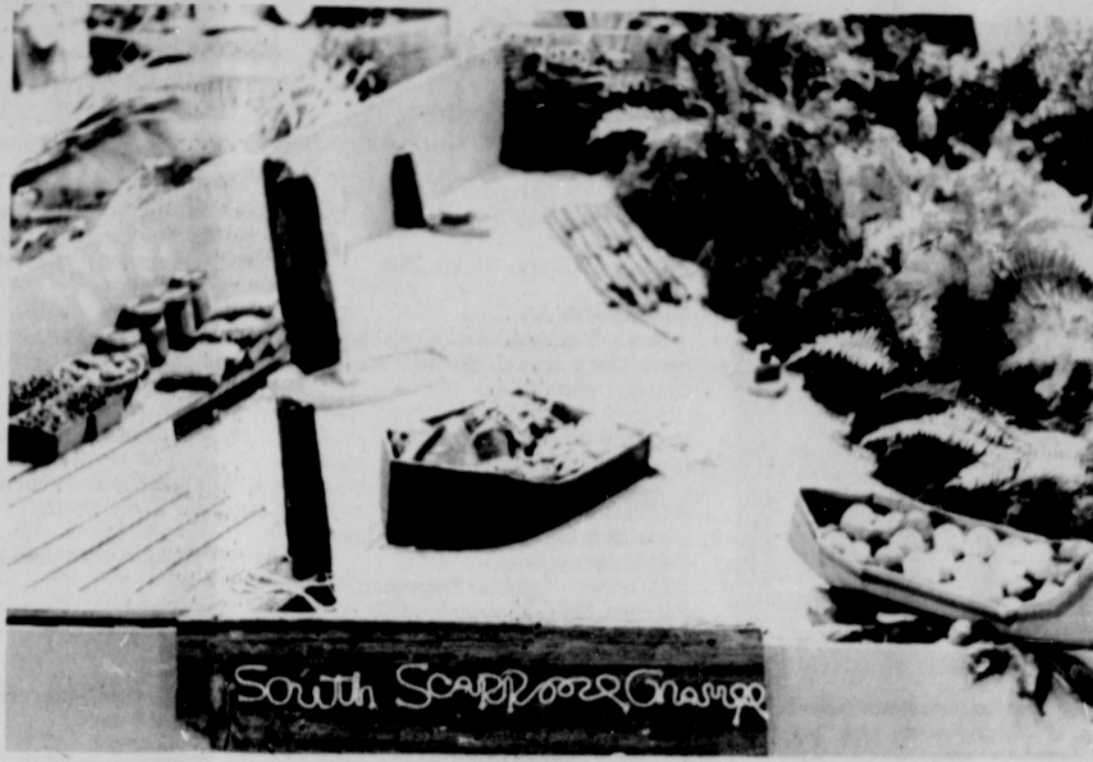
At the time of purchase, the salesman must give the buyer a sales contract, an oral explanation of his right to cancel, and a written notice with the form that can be used to cancel the purchase.

Know What You're Buying. Sometimes purchasers of health and hospitalization insurance wind up with less protection than they think they've bought. Many mail order insurance companies, for example, promise "up to \$1,000 a month" for hospitalization. The letdown comes when the purchaser, if he's hospitalized for the typical eight-day period, received only a fraction of that \$1,000—perhaps \$270. Yet his brief stay in the hospital could easily cost \$600 to \$800.

So take a hard look at the policy if this will be your only insurance coverage. Check too, for coverage of pre-existing illnesses, waiting periods, and other limitations or exceptions.

Avoid Accidental Poisoning. More products are being sold in child-resistant packages. Last April the Food and Drug Administration set standards for packaging household substances containing methyl alcohol and turpentine and lye preparations. In July, aerosols and paste-type oven cleaners will be packaged in child-resistant packages.

Safety closures should help to alleviate the accidental poisoning problem, but they can't eliminate them. They will only if parents buy potentially poisonous products in safety pack-



AMONG the Grange entries at this year's Columbia County Fair are the two displayed above. The top photo is the South Scappoose Grange while the lower one is the display entry from the Warren Grange.

Senior Citizen News - - -

The Senior Citizens' Center will be open Saturday and Sunday, July 28 and 29, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. "Come in and browse," the group invites.

The Seniors will have a table of flea market items on display for sale.

Dr. Joel Keller, podiatrist, will be at the Vernonia Clinic Fridays August 3, 17, and 31. Make appointments early for either of those days.

The eye doctor, William Thompson, will be at the center Tuesday, July 31, to adjust glasses - free of charge - from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

The potluck last Friday was attended by 22 members. A better attendance is hoped for at the next business meeting and potluck Friday, August 3 at 12:30 p.m.

Story Lady to Leave; Replacement Selected

The Community Education advisory council announces that Sally Brown, the story lady for the Tuesday morning story hour for children, will be leaving due to the transfer of her husband to another location.

The new story lady to take her place for the rest of the summer is Nancy Eckland.

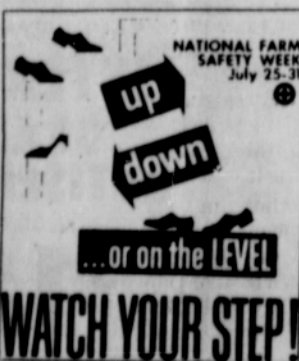
aging, keep the products in them, and properly close the containers after use. So the ultimate responsibility for preventing accidental poisonings from substances found about the house belongs to the parents. They must keep the items where children can't get at them.

Get Written Agreement. Buying a mobile home requires considerable forethought. Before you sign any contract, be sure all details of the sale are in writing. See that these are included:

A clear and complete description of the home, furnishings, appliances, accessories and any other items you are buying; the complete cost (including the interest); number of payments you will have to make, amount of each, and when they are due; arrangements for transporting the home to a lot; and details of warranty and service agreement.

Make sure you and the seller both understand the sales agreement.

For further help, write for the free publication, "Buying and Financing a Mobile Home," available from Consumer Product Information, Public Document Publication Center, Pueblo, Colo. 81009.



Senior Council Receives Grant for RSVP Program

Senator Robert Packwood announced in Washington, D.C., June 29, that the Council of Senior Citizens, Inc. of Columbia County has been awarded a five-year grant from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to fund a Volunteer Program for Columbia County.

The program is called "Retired Senior Volunteers Program," or RSVP for short. The purpose of the program is to get retired seniors out of their homes and back into the community by placing them in various agencies and organizations such as hospitals, libraries, etc. The recruited volunteers will be covered by insurance, provided transportation and other out-of-pocket expenses.

As the grant was being written, 28 community agencies and organizations in all parts of the county agreed to have volunteers working in their agencies and facilities.

The RSVP program is a special program of the ACTION agency of the Federal Department of HEW. It developed the RSVP program because it was felt by Congress that retired people still have a place in society and a valuable role to play, but too often just "drop-out" of society once they have retired.

It is also the case that many retired persons can't afford the costs of being a volunteer; this program provides for such costs for the volunteer. Work will begin immediately to hire a RSVP program director and to recruit volunteers.

Elderly retired may call the Council of Seniors office, 397-4000 for further information.

The securing of this RSVP Grant is the first grant received by the council in what Don Platt, council chairman, hopes will be the beginning of a long line of programs and projects managed by the council. The council is

justly proud of its accomplishments over the past year. They have secured Revenue Sharing funds from each city and from county government (with the passage of HB 3009, the legal questions of the county giving Revenue Sharing funds has been removed).

The Council legislative effort has also paid off with the possibility of two other bills helping the elderly of Columbia County. Under the leadership of Senator William Holmstrom, the county has been included in a special pilot project in transportation.

With the completion of the Comprehensive Plan for Senior Citizens programs by the Columbia, Washington, Clackamas County Planning Agency on Aging (funded through a federal grant to CRAG), the council will begin applying for various other special programs for the elderly of Columbia County.

After three years of existence, the securing of the RSVP grant is its first reward. It is believed strongly by the council that this is just the beginning of a series of programs and projects that will make the last years of the county's elder citizens a joy to live.

'Beat the Heat' Course on Tap

Looking for a better way to beat the heat this summer? Don Coin Walrod, agent with Oregon State University's Extension Service, has a tip for a refreshing—and entertaining—change of pace.

"The Extension Service Marine Advisory Program is planning a family shortcourse about the ocean at the coast on July 28-29," announces Walrod.

The two-day session will meet at the OSU Marine Science Center in Newport and is open to anyone interested in learning about the ocean through first-hand experience.

Topics to be covered include life in the sea, the action of tides, commercial fishing methods, and the nature of estuaries.

Participants will see movies and slides during lectures on these subjects, and will be led on two field trips.

Highlights of the weekend are a guided trip to explore the rich animal life of a rocky beach and a nature hike along the shore of Yaquina Bay.

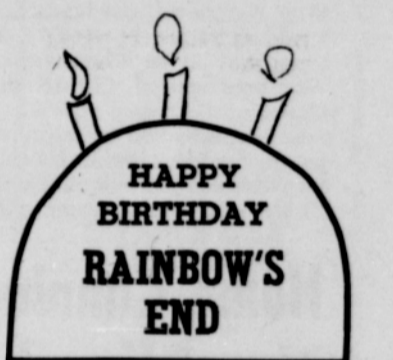
Walrod recommends registering in advance because enrollment will be limited to 40 participants.

There is a charge of \$5 per adult, but no charge for children.

Savings Bond Trend Upward

U.S. Savings Bonds sales in Oregon continued their strong upward trend during the month of May. The U.S. Treasury sales figures for May released today by State Chairman Thomas Prieux reveal that Oregonians purchased \$4,338,315 worth of bonds during the month. This is an increase of \$338,300 over May of last year, boosting Oregon's sales year-to-date to \$23,364,168. Columbia County recorded \$30,944 in May sales, bringing the total for the year to \$230,655 or 38 percent of the goal.

The true strength of the stimulated activity in Savings Bonds is best attested to by the fact that for the 32nd consecutive month sales have far outstripped redemptions in the state. Currently Oregonians' total holdings of Series E and H bonds is in excess of \$500 million.



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